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2. Applicant

 ✓ Claims small entity status.
 is other than a small entity.

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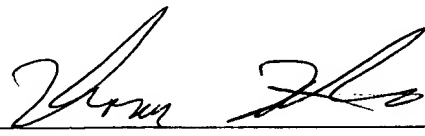
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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee -(if applicable)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Second month	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Third month	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fourth month	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00
<input type="checkbox"/> fifth month	\$1,960.00	\$ 980.00
Fee:		\$ 110.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

— An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ 110.00

OR

- (b) — Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL		MINUS		=	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$
INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$42 = \$		x \$84 = \$
—	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$130 = \$		+ \$280 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

(a) ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

(b) _____ Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. _____ Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$ 110.00
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. _____ Other:



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